

Thursday, December 16, 1954



OCEAN SPRAY CRANBERRY

SAUCE

HEINZ 57 8 oz Bottle

16 oz
Can**17c**

Plymouth Pint

Mayonnaise

SAUCE 29c NAPKINS 10c

Brach Choc 12 oz

33c**DIAMOND 80 Count**

BRORS

39c

Kraft Candy 1-2 lb

Caramels

23c HAMS

Canadian Fir

2-3 Foot—89c

3-4 Foot—\$1.19

5-6 Foot—\$2.19

Large Brazil lb

NUTS

49c

Meadows Stick 8 oz

CANDY

19c

Maraschino 4 oz Bot

Cherries

19c

Emerald lb

Walnuts

39c

CHRISTMAS 8 lb Bag

ORANGES

39c

Medium Yellow lb

ONIONS

5c

Lipton Tea

39c

The Brisk Tea

LIPTON TEA BAGS

16 ct-21c

LIPTON TEA BAGS

Every happiness
at Christmas
time

Here are our best wishes
for a memorable
Christmas — abundant with
good cheer and good
fellowship.

Elba Theatre



Smith Brothers

1910 **1954**

TOOURMANY FRIENDS

JEWEL BOX



In an old fashioned way, but wit

all the appreciation we can think of

we wish each of you a

Merry and Joyous Christmas

City of El

City of El Paso

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Elba Oil Co

Western Auto Assoc Store

POOR ORIGINAL

**Tomorrow's Forgotten Man, Failed to Advertise Today: List Your Business in The Clipper's
New Business Directory.**

Emergency Aid Insurance Company

Company

BLEED THROUGH

BIRTHS

NOVEMBER BIRTHS
girl, Geneva, Rt. 1.
Mr. & Mrs. Cecil F. Beck, boy,
Elba, Rt. 2.
Mr. & Mrs. James R. Boggs, girl,
Cotton Springs, Rt. 2.
Mr. & Mrs. Billie Ogg, wife, Mr. & Mrs. Carlton H. Howell,
Enterprise, Rt. 1.
Mr. & Mrs. Nigel Hurst, boy,
Enterprise, Rt. 1.
Mr. & Mrs. Carlton H. Howell,
Enterprise, Rt. 1.
Mr. & Mrs. James H. Hundley,
girl, Enterprise, Rt. 2.
Mr. & Mrs. F. F. Ivey, girl, Enterprise,
Ala.
Mr. & Mrs. George H. Jones,
girl, Enterprise.
Mr. & Mrs. Louie A. Kelley,
Elba, Rt. 2.
Mr. & Mrs. J. H. Dean, boy, girl, Elba, Rt. 1.

BREWTON ENGINEERING COMPANY
DOOTHAN, ALABAMA — 605 East Washington St.
Home of Superrock and Cinder
BLOCKS and BRICKS
Also see our new window sill, coping, stepping stone,
4" & 6" Drain Pipe.
Dial 4-5130 — A. J. Roy, Supt.



English DrugCenter
Phone 52—Elba, Ala.
"Your Prescription Drug Store"

Season's
Greetings

A Christmas again brightens
our hearts, we think of others.
This is the spirit that first saw
the light of day in a stable at
Bethlehem, nearly two thou-
sand years ago. May God bless
and protect you is our
Christmas wish.

I also want to thank the people of the community for being so thoughtful
and cooperative with me after I came back to my home town to set up in
business—WALTER SMITH

Smitty's TV

THE ELBA CLIPPER**SOIL CONSERVATION NEWS**

BY HOLLAND & KULGO

What is the function of the Soil Conservation Service? The function is to help the farmer conserve his soil and water resources. Its workers in soil conservation districts help in many ways.

They make an inventory of the soil resources of the land. A soil conservation district survey and an aerial photograph. This shows the farmer the kinds of soil, the slope of the land and the amount of erosion on his farm.

The SCS technician helps the farmer prepare a conservation plan to meet his needs. It also shows him what each acre needs to keep it from eroding and to make it produce more and to keep the soil conservation practice. They show him how to maintain erosion control structures and help him to plant the soil-conserving crops so that they are improved from year to year.

We have a place for sale that has to be picked up for reprocessing. It can be purchased for the balance of the payments. Contact Jesse French Plaza Co., Montgomery. 3pt Dec. 9-16-23

FUEL OIL HEATER WANTED

Good used fuel oil heater is wanted. Small size. See Mr. Stanford at Piggy Wiggy. 1bp

WORM SALE

Cows stocked. Will sell regular 75¢ per pound fat Worms for limited time to Mr. McDowell's Farm. West Elba. 1t

CARD OF THANKS

The family of J. A. Courtney deeply appreciated the many kind and thoughtful expressions of sympathy and comfort in our bereavement.

WOMEN WANTED

Make extra money. Address

Mr. & Mrs. Virgil Sherman, 101 Main Street, Alab.

Mr. & Mrs. Orville R. Shipman, girl, Enterprise.

Mr. & Mrs. Holman H. Stephens, boy, Enterprise, Rt. 2.

Mr. & Mrs. Mancel E. Stanford, boy, Enterprise.

Mr. & Mrs. G. Wilson, girl, Enterprise.

Mr. & Mrs. George E. Wright, boy, Saenger, Rt. 1.

COFFEE

Lorango & Mary Flowers, boy, Elba, Rt. 4.

Clifford & Lola Harrison, boy, Enterprise.

Ernest & Ruthie Jackson, girl, Enterprise.

Mr. & Mrs. Irene Rogers, girl, Enterprise, Rt. 2.

Leonard & Henrietta Simmonds, boy, Enterprise, Rt. 2.

Willard & Amanda Tullis, girl, Elba, Rt. 2.

MAGNIFICENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Amherst has done in its infinite wisdom has seen fit to remove from us midst our Brother, C. S. Williamson;

AND WHEREAS in the death of Brother Williamson his family, his church, his community, his wide circle of friends and his Brethren in this Lodge have suffered an irreparable loss;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved by Elba Lodge AF & AM in a regular convocation assembled that we express to the family of Brother Williamson our sympathy at their loss and the memory of him will forever be enshrined in the records of our Lodge the same, together with the following memorial to him:

Brother Williamson was born in Coffee County, Alabama on the 27th day of February, 1885 and was a life long resident of the county.

He died on December 1937 and was joined in the Holy Bonds of Matrimony to Ella Belle Price Grimes, whom he leaves as his widow.

He was a member of Lewis Min. Lodge prior to its absorption with Elba Lodge No. 170 AF & AM and he continued as a valued member of the latter lodge until his death.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this Lodge, a copy forwarded to the Elba Lodge with the request that the same be read at their next meeting, a copy over the signature of the Secretary of the Lodge and with the seal thereof attached, be forwarded to the widow with the confidence of the Lodge.

J. T. Brooks, Worshipful Master.

C. E. Hudson, H. C. Taylor, Burton Bowers, committee.

PERIODIC HD

The Periodic HD Club met with Mrs. Hollie Boutwell in December. They gave a lesson on Tailoring Techniques and the Christmas party was planned. It will be at the home of Mrs. M. M. Newsome and Mrs. Clyd Lee The January meeting will be with Mrs. J. C. Boutwell.

SOCIALS

Sgt. Mr. Harold Brown and little daughter are visiting Mr. & Mrs. Dick Brown. Sgt. Brown has no days off during the month of December. His wife and daughter expect to follow as soon as transportation is available.

Emile Michel, student nurse at Jefferson-Hillman Hospital in Birmingham, is spending the week with her parents, Mr. & Mrs. Hoehn Michel.

WO Rudolph Bonneau arrived home last week after spending 30 months in Japan. He will spend some time with his family here. Mr. Bonneau and his wife accompanied his husband to his new assignment at Ft. Benning where they will make their home.

Mrs. Wesley Palms and children of Statesboro, N. C. arrived last week for a visit with her parents, Mr. & Mrs. Harris Murphy. Dr. Palms will arrive later to spend the holidays.

Safe Deposit Boxes FOR RENT
Elba Exchange Bank

POOR ORIGINAL

CLASSIFIED
COLUMNS OF OPPORTUNITIES

FOR SALE

Combined auto parts, garage and service station in good location in town. Have good year gross. Health is reason for selling. See Dick Brown on phone 255. 3rd Dec. 29-Jan 6

LAND POSTED SIGNS

5¢ each, 50¢ a dozen at The Clipper. 1t

FARM FOR SALE

120 acres, two houses, barn. On REA line. Three miles out Elba-Summers. Priced at \$2,000. See B. L. Donaldson, Greerelle, Fla. Phone 2137. 3pt Dec 2-9-16

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USED PIANO

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FOR RENT

Three bedroom house with a lot of outside space. See M. A. Devane on Smith Ave. or call 302. 1t

APARTMENT FOR RENT

On Smith Avenue. Private entrance and bath. Three-rooms. See or call Hazel Gandy. 3pt Dec. 9-16-23

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A good farm house about 10 acres.

For a good price.

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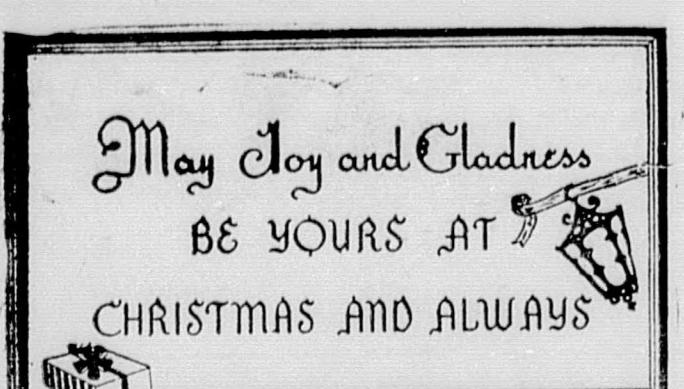
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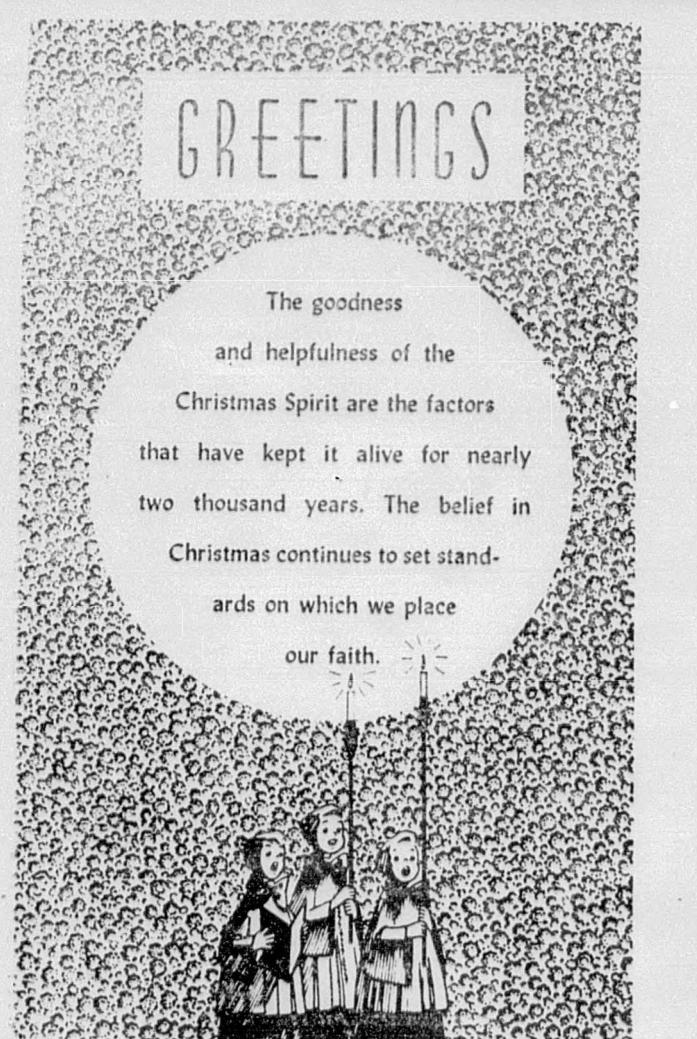


Standard Service Station



May there come to you at this Christmas Time all the precious things of life; Health Happiness and Enduring Friendships

City Electric & Plumbing Co.



LINDSEY - THOMASON Furniture Company
"MAKERS OF HAPPY HOMES"
Phone 426 Elba, Ala.

Editorials

Enterprise City Administration Is "On the Go"

One thing that has been noticeable about the administration in Enterprise in recent months is the speed and vigor that has characterized its activities. A good example of this reaching out for opportunity is the manner in which they handled their airport transaction. They had a landing strip built almost before the echo of the offer from the State Department of Aeronautics died away. All they have left to do is select sites and build runways from Camp Walker will be able to practice take-offs and landings. It didn't take them long to get in action on this project.

In the past month, merchants and city officials in our sister city saw 30 to 40 families pull up stakes and move to Ozark because of the cooperative housing project there. Last week the council offered two building sites to the retail merchants association at reasonable cost so that Enterprise could help out.

Wide-awake Mayor N. W. "Jug" Brown, noting that 600 more men will report to Rucker in January and eventually 6,000 troops will be billeted there said, "We're in sad shape (for housing)." Recognizing the problem, he and the city council have passed the ball to their fellow townsmen with the offer of good building sites at a reasonable cost. It is interesting to note that the land which the council is selling came

from the town's first airport project. Meanwhile, no official word has been released on the status of negotiations between the City of Elba and John Brown for a landing strip outside the city. Final closing of the transaction might be delayed by press time by Mayo L. P. Mallin who was instructed by the council to buy it, but was instructed by the council to buy it, but

At any rate, construction on the Elba airport will not be able to proceed as fast as it did in Enterprise. By making their purchase when they did and quickly as they did, one sister city hit a time when road-building equipment of most of the county commissioners were available. The commissioners have started SACP projects with deadlines and will have to concentrate their efforts on road work first and Elba's airport, second. That's the way it should be, too. Elba will just have to be patient and catch the machinery and personnel when they are idle.

This won't have any adverse effect on our townsmen, however, because long before it is available to Camp Rucker as a training site, Ass. Routree, state department of Aeronautics director, told the city council no time limit is imposed on a municipality insofar as completing the landing strip is concerned. Also, the state's share of the construction costs is paid as work progresses.

Drouth Hit Where It Hurts the Worst—Pocketbook

For every \$5 Coffee County farmers had last year, they only have \$4 this fall. The \$1.8 million drop in farm income shown by the county agent's annual crop report took an average of \$52 out of the pocket of each of the 3,443 farm families in Coffee County.

It cost most land owners to plant peanuts this year. The \$255 the farmer received for this crop, he put out \$140 for feed and fertilizer alone. For labor, fuel, insect control and all other costs of planting and harvesting, he had \$145. That would not cover all these expenses. After three dry years, many farmers did not have this money to lose. Countywide the picture shows \$491,000 gross yield on peanuts with \$491,000 in costs and little return.

Income from cotton when compared to 1953 was \$179 per family. Hogs and cattle brought each rural household \$439 with hogs providing \$353 of that amount.

All this amounted to a drop of 21% in income to the average farm family. In dollars they received \$2013 from their labors in 1953 and only \$1488 in 1954.

Drouth losses like this hurt every farmer, town and landowner. With the slim acreage allotments for cotton and peanuts this year, it is going to be more difficult to equip this set back even with normal rains. This makes it doubly important that Coffee County farmers get to plant every acre of

JAMES A. CRITTENDEN
U. S. FORCES, AUSTRIA—Major
Sgt. James A. Crittenden, whose
wife, Dolores Mae, lives at 1023
Fisk Ave., Columbus, Ga., is serving
with U. S. Forces in Austria.
Crittenden, a platoon sergeant
in the 285th Signal Const.

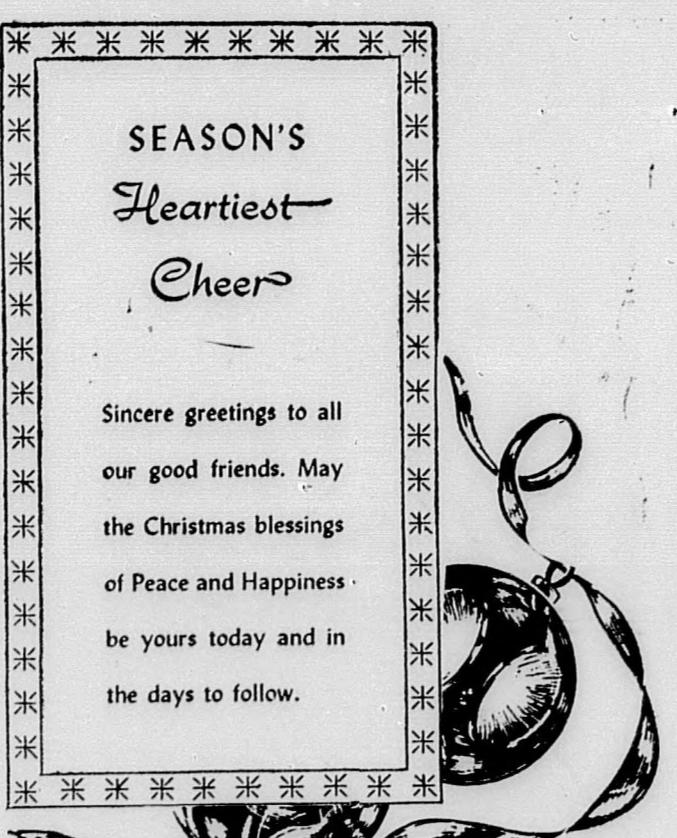
Co. of the 63rd Signal Bn., entered
the army in 1942. A holder
of the Bronze Star Medal, he ar-
rived in Austria during October
1953.

His mother, Mrs. Ophelia Bass,
lives on Rt. 2, New Brockton.

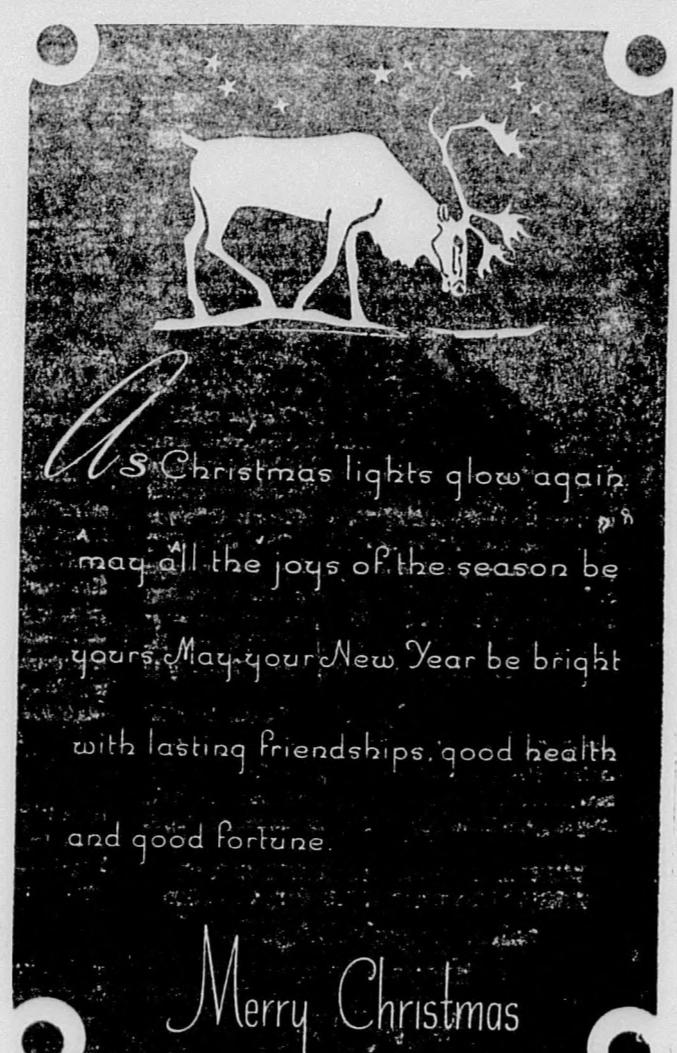
TIDINGS of Great Joy

As in years past, may the
birthday of the Prince of
Peace bring tidings of
great joy to each of you.

Paul's Cafe



Dorsey Bros. Chev. Inc



Whitman Drug Co.

Land Posted Signs 5c—Clipper
Ledger Sheets at The Clipper

POOR ORIGINAL

BLEED THROUGH

Thursday, December 23, 1954

A. ALABAMA

County Farm Income Drops \$1.8 Million

A whopping \$1.8 million drop in farm receipts grossed \$104,000 as farmers gear further into the act of diversification, into

the spreading number of cage layers flocks. Poultry and eggs

surplus of milk but a decrease

in hog numbers helped shrink receipts from \$109,000 in 1953 to \$105,000 this year.

Other totals used in Speed's

end-of-year round-up were:

Hogs, \$218,600; and beef cat-

ters, \$202,600. Lamb, \$136,500. An esti-

mated 40,900 hogs have been

marketed in the county this year,

1954, which raised their value

to \$2.5 million each.

Income from peanuts dropped

\$1630,000 to \$870,000. Cotton

was off almost half a million

(\$402,600 to \$200,500). An esti-

mated \$5 million in 1953 were

worth only \$2,849,000 with their

combined effort this year. In

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to \$2.5 million each.

"It couldn't have been pean-

uts," he emphasized. "In the

last year, the highest prices

since 1948, the report showed.

"We were drought-stricken,"

Speed said, "notwithstanding the

fact that the area never was

declared a disaster area. The

USDA would have made farmers eli-

gible for emergency feed and

grain at reduced prices, Speed said.

The county agent pointed out

that dairy farmers buying feed

were at a "disadvantage" in that

they were having to compete

with others who lived in "disas-

tered" areas.

He said Coffee County dairy

producers actually produced a

MAIL CHECKS

Alabama Power Company put in the mail Dec. 14 tax collector

checks to 61 counties agree-

ing a total of \$2,851,145.76 in

real and personal property taxes

in those counties. Of this total

it is estimated that \$1,119,000

will be allocated for educational

purposes. The county's total

tax bill for 1954, including fed-

eral and state income taxes, is

expected to be \$16 million.

Cleaners WISE Clothiers

Ledger Sheets at The Clipper

Land Posted Signs 5c—Clipper



Fuller Radio & TV Shop



It is a pleasure, at this time of the year
to greet our friends, who, through
their faith in us, have made this year
one of continued progress.
We cherish your friendship and
patronage and say "Thanks to Everybody."

Hayes Hardware

**Drive through
the winter in
low-cost comfort!**

OK USED CARS
INSPECTED • RECONDITIONED
WARRANTED IN WRITING

The red tag means
6 ways better

- Thoroughly Inspected
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- Honestly Described
- Warranted in Writing

Sold only by an Authorized Chevrolet Dealer

CHEVROLET

See our listings below

Dorsey Bros. Chevrolet Inc.

AN AWARD should be given
for one of the Christmas decorations
seen this year. Elilians
have really outdone themselves

Through the Keyhole

BY MRS. ROBERT CANNON

THE CHURCH is the center of Christmas. There are well-planned and beautifully executed church services. The church is filled with beauties, the bells of the season; there are missionary circles preparing baskets and living again the age old story as told by the three kings to the three wise men.

There are prayer meetings conducted by laymen. So many things could be listed, families, K. of L., Lionists, many others for campus leaders, Kappa Phi Kappa, educational fraternalism, and Who's Who in America.

At such a time it seemed right to spotlight a minister, the symbol of the church. Selected for this honor has been granted Rev. Edgar T. Edgar, minister of the Methodist Church of Elba. Rev. Edgar is a graduate of Hendrix College in Conway, Ark., a former student at Peabody College. Dot Edgars were in Pensacola,

penses for three years. He graduated with a Bachelor of Divinity degree in 1951.

It was while in Nashville, Tenn., that Rev. Edgar met his daughter, who was named Sammie Blue for Sammie (Blue) Morrow. The years have passed swiftly and Sammie is now a poised young lady who loves games and church, long braids swinging saucily as she walks.

During the Christmas week, Dot Edgar and Billy will visit his parents in Arkansas. Mr. Edgar will also attend the Board of Missions Training Course in Kansas City, Mo., for which he is conference representative.

And so ends our little biographical sketch of one of Elba's ministers, a too often unrecognized group to whom we are turned in need. *

"AND UNTO YOU IS BORN THE DAY YE HAVE WAITED THAT YOUR CHILD SHOULD BE BORN IN DEBER, the holy month of births.

During the Christmas party held at the Elba High School Dec. 4 was a lovely one. There was a walk across the top of which Santa drove his prancing reindeer. In the corner of the room stood a dark green tree, its branches with plumed blue and yellow balls, with ropes of glittering tinsel and the fragile icicles which young fingers love to explore. Countless balloons to play with and even take home after all the ice cream was eaten.

The last minute I was unable to attend the party but was told that there were great festi-

vals for two years preceding their being married.

Methodist Church. During that time we have watched the little boy grow from a infant to a man about town.

Every day he is a joy to his parents and church, long braids swinging saucily as he walks.

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